

HOUSE RESOLUTION 63

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A RESOLUTION to honor the Johnson City Rotary Club on its 100th anniversary.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are proud to recognize those service organizations that possess a rich history of benevolence, serve a vital role in our society, and are a testament to the virtues of integrity and compassion; and

WHEREAS, one such organization is the Johnson City Rotary Club, which will celebrate the 100th anniversary of its charter on June 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the 165 members of the Johnson City Rotary Club are leaders within their community, and their dedication to serving those in need has garnered attention from far and wide; and

WHEREAS, since first organized on October 30, 1916, with twenty-one members, the Johnson City Rotary Club has assisted in the founding of Rotary clubs in Kingsport, Greeneville, Elizabethton, Tri-Cities Airport, and Unicoi County as well as two additional clubs in Johnson City, and has proffered its contributions to many local and national organizations, including Little League, Second Harvest Food Bank, Johnson City's Teachers of the Year, Good Samaritan Ministries, Coalition for Kids, Children's Advocacy, the Salvation Army, Rotary Park's boundless playground, and polio vaccinations for children around the world as part of the Rotary Club's initiative to rid the Earth of polio; and

WHEREAS, the Johnson City Rotary Club has also held a clothing drive for homeless students, provided scholarships and exchange programs for local students, and sponsored students' attendance at the Rotary Districts Youth Leadership Conference each year; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary motto “Service Above Self” inspires Rotarians to provide humanitarian service, live by high ethical standards, and promote goodwill and peace in the world; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly hereby encourages the citizens of the State of Tennessee to join in this celebration of 100 years of service given by the Johnson City Rotary Club by recognizing the integral role the organization plays in addressing such issues as poverty, health, hunger, pure water, and illiteracy in Johnson City and beyond; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly desires to seize this golden opportunity to honor and commend the Johnson City Rotary Club; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor the Johnson City Rotary Club on the occasion of its 100th anniversary and commend its members for their tireless commitment to public service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.